UOCAVA electors are:

- 1. Member of the Uniformed Services or Merchant Marines on Active Duty absent from the State.
- 2. An Eligible Spouse or Dependent of the above.
- 3. A U.S. Citizen residing outside the U.S. temporarily.
- 4. A U.S. citizen residing outside the U.S. indefinitely (federal ballot only).

Information for UOCAVA electors:

Deadlines for application for Voter Registration and submission of Absentee Ballot Applications: A UOCAVA elector shall submit an application for voter registration no later than the twenty-ninth day before the election at which the person intends to vote.

All Uniformed Services Electors, Non-Resident and Resident Overseas Electors must submit a new Standard Form 76 whenever a move or change of duty station occurs to ensure the absentee ballot is mailed to the correct address. In order to vote in a primary election the UOCAVA elector must be registered with a Political Party. Party changes must be made on or prior to the 29th day before a primary election. If the voter registration application or absentee ballot request for a UOCAVA elector is rejected, the elector will be notified of the reason.

Absentee ballot applications requesting a ballot be mailed shall be submitted no later than the seventh day prior to the election.

Any UOCAVA elector that is absent form the state may apply for and vote an absentee ballot by facsimile in the State of Colorado.

Electors who are members of the Uniform Services or Merchant Marines on Active Duty <u>outside</u> the United States may apply for an absentee electronic mail ballot. This option is appropriate only after it has been determined that there is no other way to send or receive a voted ballot from a military service member deployed outside the United States. The elector must have access to the scanning technology to vote his or her ballot using electronic mail. The elector must print out the ballot and instructions then complete the ballot and sign the affidavit. The elector must then scan the coversheet, the voted ballot and affidavit and send them back to the election official as a PDF attachment to an electronic mail.

Absentee ballot applications requesting a facsimile ballot or electronic mail ballot shall be received in the Clerk and Recorder's office of the county in which the voter resides or the Secretary of State's Office no later than close of business on the Friday immediately, preceding the election.

For your convenience the Application for Absentee Facsimile Ballot and Application for Absentee Electronic Mail Ballot are provided in Adobe Acrobat format, which requires you to have the free Adobe Acrobat Reader installed on your system for viewing.

When requesting a ballot by fax or by e-mail, UOCAVA electors may request that the absentee ballot application be considered for a specific election by checking the appropriate box or boxes on the application. If you prefer, you may request a ballot for each subsequent election held in the state through the next two regularly scheduled General Elections. By selection that box this would allow you to receive ballots for the next ensuing election and each election held in your County during the next General Elections without having to reapply for a ballot. Check the appropriate box on the application ballot available below.

Please note that by voting in either of these manners, the UOCAVA elector voluntarily waives his/her rights to a secret ballot.

Voted ballot must be received in the Clerk and Recorder's Office or the Secretary of State's Office by 7:00 PM Mountain Time election night.

Federal Write- In Ballot Information:

Any absentee UOCAVA elector is entitled to vote for federal officers by a federal write – in absentee ballot at any primary, general, or congressional vacancy election. The eligible elector may designate the federal candidate by writing in the name of the candidate or by writing in the name of a political party or political organization, in which case the ballot shall be counted for the candidate of that political party or political organization. If an application for a Colorado Mail – In Ballot has been received and processed by the County Clerk and Recorder but a federal write- in absentee ballot is returned, only those votes cast for the federal officers on the federal write- in absentee ballot shall be counted. If both a Colorado Mail – In ballot and a federal absentee ballot are returned, the federal write- in absentee ballot shall be deemed void and votes shall be counted from the state Mail – In ballot only.

Federal and civilian Voting Assistance Officers can provide UOCAVA electors with a Federal Write – In Ballot. Voting Assistance Officer information can be accessed at http://www.fvap.gov/pubs/fwab.html

UOCAVA forms:

1. Absentee ballot application for UOCAVA electors wanting to receive a mail ballot. (Link to FVAP – SF76) http://www.fvap.gov/pubs/onlinefpca.pdf

2. Absentee ballot application for UOCAVA electors wanting to receive a faxed ballot.

http://www.elbertcounty-co.gov/documents/faxapp.pdf

3. Absentee ballot application for members of the Uniform Services or Merchant Marines on Active Duty outside the United States wanting to receive an electronic mail ballot.

http://www.elbertcounty-co.gov/documents/e-mailapp.pdf